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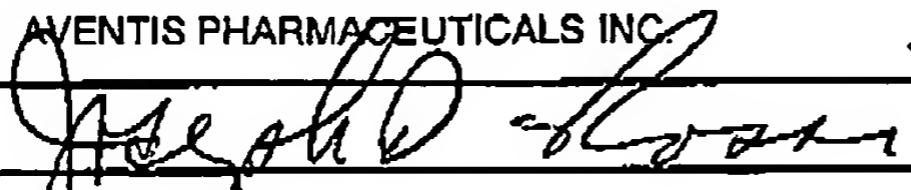
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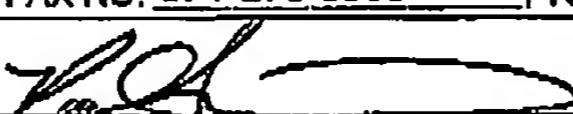
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Dear Sirs:

This paper is a Reply to the Restriction Requirement dated December 13, 2005 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 in connection with the above-identified patent application.

Applicants respectfully request that the application be amended, without prejudice, as follows:

- Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- Remarks/Arguments begin on page 36 of this paper.